Town of Odessa

MINUTES FROM REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2006 - 7:00 PM OLD ACADEMY BUILDING

Those present at 7:00 PM:

Mayor Kathy Harvey

Council Member John Freeman

Council Member Karlyn Grant

Council Member Betts Jackson

Council Member Cindy Williams

Treasurer James Grant Secretary Jessica Norton

5 community members

- I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance- The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.
- II. Roll Call
- III. Delaware State Police Report- not present.
- IV. Approval of Minutes- Regular Meeting 8/7/06- Mayor Harvey indicated that "Evergreen Run" on page four ought to be changed to "Evergreen Farms."

MOTION BY KARLYN GRANT, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN: THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL ON AUGUST 7, 2006 BE ACCEPTED WITH THE CORRECTION.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

- V. Correspondence
 - A. University of Delaware regarding Draft Comprehensive Plan- to be discussed under Old Business.
 - B. Historic Odessa Foundation- request to close Second Street, attached hereto as Attachment B.

MOTION BY CINDY WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON: TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO CLOSE SECOND STREET FOR A SPECIAL EVENT ON OCTOBER 7, PROVIDED THAT CLOSING IT DOES NOT BECOME A FREQUENT OCCURRENCE.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

VI. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Jim Grant read the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Budget Performance, attached hereto as attachments C and D respectively. He reported that the Town has received its Municipal Street Aid, which is still lower than in the past due to DelDOT budget cuts. The new computer was purchased under budget though software is still needed. The audit has been sent to the accountant.

MOTION BY CINDY WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON: TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

Action: Treasurer Grant will contact Jerry Unruh with the Municipal Street Aid dollar amount per mile.

- VII. Commission Reports
 - A. Planning did not meet.
 - B. Historic has a full agenda with 6-7 applications for review.
 - C. Trees received a grant for tree planting and maintenance.
 - D. Park benches and table were installed by John Raudenbush. Mayor and Council sent him a thank you letter, and Mayor Harvey also wished to thank him publicly. Raudenbush also offered to do some tree maintenance around the trail.
- VIII. Old Business

A. Appointments-Board of Adjustments and Trees

MOTION BY KARLYN GRANT, SECONDED BY CINDY WILLIAMS: TO APPOINT CHARLIE DUNHAM TO THE TREES COMMISSION.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

B. Ordinance 2006-4: An ordinance to adopt the 2006 Comprehensive Plan

MOTION BY CINDY WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON: TO TABLE THE ORDINANCE UNTIL NEXT MONTH BECAUSE COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS HAD NOT READ IT.

Mayor Harvey summarized the changes that had been made since distribution of the first draft, specifically that Troy Mix had revised the wording of the "Planned Development" section. Betts Jackson asked if any party would be inconvenienced by postponement of the second reading. Harvey responded that changes cannot move forward until it is passed.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

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C. Diemler Street Transfer Legal Costs- Mayor Harvey stated that the recorded deed for Diemler street had a typographical error and that she does not feel comfortable taking over the street before it is corrected. Fred Kielkopf defended the deed by citing contract and utility work that had been done and offered to pay \$250 for legal costs.

MOTION BY KARLYN GRANT, SECONDED BY CINDY WILLIAMS: THAT THE TOWN WILL ACCEPT DIEMLER STREET IF MR. KIELKOPF PAYS FOR LEGAL FEES, TITLE SEARCH, AND SURVEY.

Council clarified that the Town will not accept an old survey and that a new certified survey is required. Mr. Kielkopf stated that he understood.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

- IX. New Business- Jessica Norton reported that preparations for this year's Halloween in the Park, which will be held on October 29 from 3-5 PM, are well under way. She asked for volunteers and donations. Council and audience offered suggestions for recruiting help and borrowing equipment and suggested changing the time.
- X. Next Meeting's Date and Time: October 2, 7:00 PM- Jim and Karlyn Grant indicated that they will be out of town the first week of November and asked to be excused from November's meeting.
- XI. Adjournment

MOTION BY CINDY WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY KARLYN GRANT: THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 5 AYE, 0 NAY

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Minutes Approved:

10/2/06